

DERIVATIVE AND AT LEAST ONE PIGMENT AND/OR PEARLESCENT  
AGENT, AND METHODS FOR ITS USE --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-26 without prejudice or disclaimer and replace them with new claims 27-83 as follows:

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-- 27. A solid aqueous gel comprising: i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent, ii) at least one cellulose derivative, and iii) a pulverulent phase comprising at least one component chosen from pigments and pearlescent agents, wherein the combination of the hydrophilic gelling agent and the cellulose derivative is present in the gel in an amount ranging up to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

28. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is chosen from polysaccharides, protein derivatives, synthetic and semisynthetic gels of the polyesters, polyacrylates, polymethacrylates, and derivatives thereof.

29. A gel according to claim 28, wherein the synthetic and semisynthetic gels of the polyesters are sulfonic synthetic and semisynthetic gels of the polyester.

30. A gel according to claim 28, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is a polysaccharide chosen from:

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- extracts of algae,
- exudates of microorganisms,
- fruit extracts,
- gelling agents of animal origin,
- polysaccharides possessing a side chain and 6 neutral sugars, and
- mixtures thereof.

31. A gel according to claim 30, wherein the extracts of algae are chosen from agar, carrageenans, and alginates.

32. A gel according to claim 31, wherein the alginates are chosen from alginates of sodium and calcium.

33. A gel according to claim 30, wherein the exudates of microorganisms are chosen from xanthan gum, derivatives of xanthan gum, and gellan gum.

34. A gel according to claim 30, wherein the fruit extracts are chosen from pectins.

35. A gel according to claim 30, wherein the gelling agents of animal origin are chosen from derivatives of bovine and fish protein.

36. A gel according to claim 35, wherein the gelling agents of animal origin are chosen from caseinates and gelatin of bovine and fish origin.

37. A gel according to claim 28, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is chosen from gellan and carrageenans.

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38. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 19.9% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

39. A gel according to claim 38, wherein the at least one hydrophilic gelling agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.2% to 10% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

40. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the at least one cellulose derivative is chosen from cellulose, carboxymethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, methyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose, hydroxyethyl cellulose, and celluloses which are modified by grafting an alkyl group.

41. A gel according to claim 40, wherein the at least one cellulose derivative is carboxymethyl cellulose.

42. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the at least one cellulose derivative is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 10%, by weight relative to the total weight of the gel.

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43. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the pigments are chosen from titanium; zirconium and cerium dioxides; zinc, iron and chromium oxides; nanotitaniums; ferric blue; carbon black; calcium, barium, aluminium and zirconium salts; acid dyes; azo dyes; anthraquinone dyes; pigments coated with silicone compounds; pigments coated with polymers; pigments coated with fluorinated compounds; and mixtures thereof.

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44. A gel according to claim 43, wherein the acid dyes are

chosen from halo-acid dyes.

45. A gel according to claim 43, wherein the pigments coated with silicone compounds are chosen from polydimethylsiloxanes.

46. A gel according to claim 43, wherein the pigments coated with polymers are chosen from polyethylenes.

47. A gel according to claim 27, wherein at least one pigment is present in an amount ranging up to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

48. A gel according to claim 47, wherein at least one pigment is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

49. A gel according to claim 48, wherein at least one pigment is present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

50. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the pearlescent agents are chosen from natural pearl, mica coated with titanium oxide, mica coated with iron oxide, natural pigment, bismuth oxychloride, and colored mica-titanium.

51. A gel according to claim 27, wherein at least one pearlescent agent is present in an amount ranging up to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

52. A gel according to claim 51, wherein at least one

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pearlescent agent is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 30% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

53. A gel according to claim 52, wherein at least one pearlescent agent is present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

54. A gel according to claim 27, wherein the pulverulent phase is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 40%, by weight relative to the total weight of the gel.

55. A gel according to claim 54, wherein the pulverulent phase is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

56. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising at least one filler.

57. A gel according to claim 56, wherein the at least one filler is chosen from talc, mica, silica, kaolin, Nylon powder, poly- $\beta$ -alanine powder, polyethylene powder, Teflon, lauroyllysine, starch, boron nitride, bismuth oxychloride, tetrafluoroethylene polymer powders, polymethyl methacrylate powders, polyurethane powders, polystyrene powders, polyester powders, synthetic hollow microspheres, microsponges, microbeads of silicone resin, zinc and titanium oxides, zirconium and cerium oxides, precipitated calcium carbonate, magnesium carbonate and hydrocarbonate, hydroxyapatite, hollow silica microspheres, glass and ceramic microcapsules, metallic soaps derived

from organic carboxylic acids comprising from 8 to 22 carbon atoms, the compounds  $\text{SiO}_2/\text{TiO}_2/\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{TiO}_2/\text{CeO}_2/\text{SiO}_2$  and  $\text{TiO}_2/\text{ZnO/talc}$ , and polymers of polyethylene terephthalate/ polymethacrylate in the form of flakes.

58. A gel according to claim 57, wherein the metallic soaps derived from organic carboxylic acids comprise from 12 to 18 carbon atoms.

59. A gel according to claim 57, wherein the metallic soaps derived from organic carboxylic acids are chosen from zinc, magnesium and lithium stearate, zinc laurate, and magnesium myristate.

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C 60. A gel according to claim 56, wherein the at least one filler is present in an amount ranging up to 60% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

61. A gel according to claim 60, wherein the at least one filler is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 40% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

62. A gel according to claim 61, wherein the at least one filler is present in an amount ranging from 1% to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

63. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising at least one salt.

64. A gel according to claim 63, wherein the at least one salt is chosen from calcium; magnesium and strontium nitrate; calcium and magnesium borate; calcium, sodium, magnesium, strontium, neodymium and manganese

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chloride; magnesium and calcium sulphate; and calcium and magnesium acetate.

65. A gel according to claim 64, wherein the at least one salt is magnesium chloride.

66. A gel according to claim 63, wherein the at least one salt is present in an amount ranging from 0.01% to 2% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

67. A gel according to claim 66, wherein the at least one salt is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 1% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

68. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising a cosmetically or physiologically acceptable medium.

69. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising a water chosen from floral water, mineral water, and thermal water.

70. A gel according to claim 69, wherein the floral water is cornflower water.

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*CS* 71. A gel according to claim 69, wherein the water is present in an amount ranging up to 99.8% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

72. A gel according to claim 71, wherein the water is present in an amount ranging from 20% to 99% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

73. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising at least one

water-soluble colorant.

*A1* 74. A gel according to claim 73, wherein the at least one water-soluble colorant is chosen from the disodium salt of ponceau, the disodium salt of alizarin green, quinoline yellow, the trisodium salt of amaranth, the disodium salt of tartrazine, the monosodium salt of rhodamine, the disodium salt of fuchsin, and xanthophyll.

75. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising at least one solvent chosen from ethanol, isopropanol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, diethylene glycol, and glycol ethers.

76. A gel according to claim 75, wherein the glycol ethers are chosen from (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>) alkyl ethers of mono-, di-, and tripropylene glycol and from mono-, di-, and triethylene glycol.

77. A gel according to claim 27, further comprising at least one compound chosen from antioxidants, preservatives, hydrophilic cosmetic and pharmaceutical active agents, moisturizers, vitamins, self-tanning compounds, sunscreens, and perfumes.

78. A gel according to claim 27, wherein said gel is free of liquid fatty substances.

79. A gel according to claim 27, wherein said gel is free of a fatty phase.

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agent, ii) at least one cellulose derivative, and iii) a pulverulent phase comprising at least one component chosen from pigments and pearlescent agents, wherein the combination of the hydrophilic gelling agent and the cellulose derivative is present in the gel in an amount ranging up to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

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81. A make-up product for the body, a foundation, an eyeshadow, a blusher, a concealer, a lipstick, a pencil for the contour of the lips, a mascara, a pencil for the contour of the eyes, a dyeing or make-up stick for locks of hair comprising a solid aqueous gel comprising: i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent, ii) at least one cellulose derivative, and iii) a pulverulent phase comprising at least one component chosen from pigments and pearlescent agents, wherein the combination of the hydrophilic gelling agent and the cellulose derivative is present in the gel in an amount ranging up to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

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82. A method for applying make-up to the skin and/or the keratinous fibres, comprising applying to the skin and/or the keratinous fibres, a solid aqueous gel comprising: i) at least one hydrophilic gelling agent, ii) at least one cellulose derivative, and iii) a pulverulent phase comprising at least one component chosen from pigments and pearlescent agents, wherein the combination of the hydrophilic gelling agent and the cellulose derivative is present in the gel in an amount ranging up to 20% by weight, relative to the total weight of the gel.

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